

Sunburst

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Serving the Holloman Air Force Base community

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Briefly

HMS registration

Holloman Middle School registration is from 8 to 11 a.m., and 1 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesday to Aug. 6.

Parents should bring copies of the student's shot records, social security card and birth certificate.

For more information, contact HMS at 479-2282.

The first day of school is Aug. 19.

Change of command

The 49th Medical Group change of command is 8 a.m., today at Heritage Park.

Grand opening

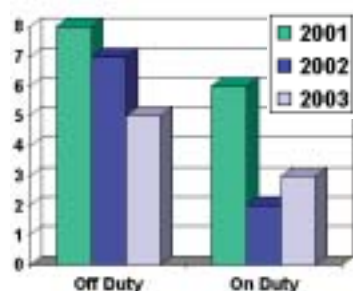
The grand opening of the Apache Mesa Golf Course's 7th hole is at 9:30 a.m., Aug. 10.

Keystone news

The Summer Youth Olympics is from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., and National Kids Day is from 1 to 4 p.m., Saturday at the Fitness and Sports Center.

101 Critical Days of Summer

The goal for 2004 is to cut mishaps by 50 percent. Be safe.



CDC rates to increase in September

by Mrs. Laura Hunt
Sunburst staff writer

The rates at Holloman's Child Development Centers will increase Sept. 6.

Ms. Susan Misener, 49th Services Squadron Family Member Programs flight chief, said fees go up every year because of an increase in caregivers' salaries.

Caregiver wages are set by congress and every year the employees get a cost of living raise, she said.

The raise is usually between 3.5 and 5 percent. This year, the increase was 4 percent.

According to Ms. Misener, it is important to pay caregivers enough to minimize turnover.

"Off base centers may pay very low wages and not be concerned about how high their staff turnover is," Ms. Misener said. "The Air Force believes it's important for children to be taken care of by the same person from day-to-day so they can establish an emotional bond."

Better salaries also mean a quality facility and highly-trained employees, Ms. Misener said.

The CDCs at Holloman are accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, said Ms. Carol Ward, CDC director.

NAEYC is the largest organization of early childhood educators, she said, and being accredited means the CDC's programs are high-quality early childhood programs.

"We provide a safe and nurturing environment while promoting the physical, social, emotional and cognitive development of young



Photo by Mrs. Laura Hunt

Ms. Amber Agee, Child Development Center caregiver, sings "The Wheels on the Bus" with Jordan Grier. The CDC provides quality care to children 6 weeks to 5 years old.

children," Ms. Ward said. "In our accredited programs you will see positive warm interactions among staff and children and planned learning

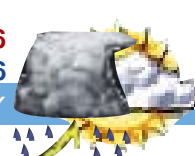
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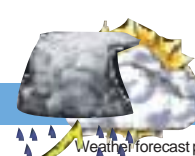
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TODAY



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SATURDAY



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SUNDAY



High: 98
Low: 68

MONDAY

Weather forecast provided by the 49th Operations Support Squadron Weather Flight

Construction to begin

by Senior Airman Martha Whipple

49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

EQM contractors will begin construction at the main and La Luz gates Aug. 2.

The five-month project will allow increased traffic flow through the gates, said 2nd Lt. Ryan Zeitler, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron. The changes will reduce delays and highway traffic congestion.

The changes at the main gate include moving the gate north on First Street, adding additional identification checker lanes and installing shade canopy over the I.D. check stations.

Lieutenant Zeitler said the project will be completed in three phases to minimize traffic delays. There will be two inbound lanes and one outbound lane open for the majority of the time, but some delays can be expected.

The La Luz gate project will enhance security and allow increased traffic flow, according to Lieutenant Zeitler. The majority of construction will occur north of the existing roadway, and traffic impacts during construction will be small.

For more information, contact 49th CES at 572-0575.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Jessica Thornton

New BEAR

Col. Michael Arnold (right) takes the 49th Materiel Maintenance Group flag and command during the 49th MMG change of command ceremony Monday. Brig. Gen. Kurt Cichowski, 49th Fighter Wing commander (left) presided over the event.

Holloman Hotline 572-7500



The Hotline is your direct link to the 49th Fighter Wing commander. If you've tried to solve the problem yourself and haven't been able to get results, call 572-7500 or e-mail cc.hotline@holloman.af.mil.

Before submitting a Hotline, please give the appropriate agencies a chance to work out the problem.

If you want to pass on praise for a job well done, contact the supervisor or commander directly who can provide the appropriate recognition to the individual or group. The unit commanders and agency chiefs want to help. Let them try first.

Who's guarding the pool?

Q:

I'm writing this letter with regards to some concerns I have about the fitness center lifeguards. I frequently use the pool to lap swim and on many occasions; really most occasions, I notice the lifeguards are not watching the pool. To be specific, the last three times I swam, the lifeguards were on the phone and in the office where they can, at best, see 50 percent of the pool. This was for the entire time I was in the pool which is anywhere from 15 to 20 minutes.

I'm a family medicine doctor and stress prevention to all of my patients. The way the lifeguards are doing their job is very risky. I asked the lifeguard about one year ago that I noticed she spent quite a bit of time not watching the pool. The guard said that I shouldn't worry because she could hear the swimmers.

A:

Thank you for your concern. Reviewing the situation, I discovered the fitness center director performs weekly spot checks and has found guards on the pool deck each time.

However, the director met the lifeguard involved during your morning workouts and confirmed she was on the phone while you were exercising. Our lifeguards have been directed to be on deck while the pool is occupied, as well as ensure they have full sight and supervision of the pool and deck while personnel are in the area. The fitness center director will increase the number of spot checks and ensure all lifeguards meet our expectations.

Thank you again for bringing this to my attention. We must all continue to work together to protect our people; not just during the 101 Critical Days of Summer, but year-round as well.

DUI Update

Days since last DUI **5**
DUIs this year **27**
This week last year **16**

Last six DUIs

• 49 SFS	July 25
• 746 TS	July 18
• 49 AMXS	July 2
• 49 SVS	June 23
• 49 OSS	June 11
• 49 LRS	May 16

* Dependent

572-RIDE works!

Calls made are lives saved

617 Saves this year
5 Saves this week



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AF pharmacies implement new formulary guidelines

by Lt. Col. David W. Bobb
Air Force Medical Service

Air Force pharmacies will no longer distribute some high-use, but expensive medications. This was outlined in a memorandum recently sent out to all Air Force pharmacies by Maj. Gen. (Dr.) Joseph E. Kelley, assistant surgeon general for health-care operations.

"It's no secret that (fiscal 2004) has been an extremely challenging budget year for the Air Force Medical Service," General Kelley said in the memo.

In addition to being faced with more expensive drugs coming to market this year, there has been an eight percent price increase in the approximately 150 high-use medications contained on the (Department of Defense and Veterans Affairs) contract list, his memo said.

To assist in meeting the medical service fiscal parameters, changes will be made in dispensing nonsedating antihistamines, some arthritis medications and insulin.

General Kelley said he believes the implementation of these formulary guidelines present sound clinical options with a very minimal impact of patient care.

For patients requesting refills on the medications being deleted, a 30-day supply will be provided to allow them enough time to obtain a new prescription for another medication.

"At times, it can be a somewhat bewildering process to track what medications your military treatment facility pharmacy keeps in stock," said Col. Phil L. Samples, pharmacy consultant to the surgeon general.

"Not only can this be confusing at the local level, but as families (move) from base to

base, situations arise where one pharmacy may carry a certain medication that another does not based on the scope of practice at any given facility," Colonel Samples said.

"One of the functions of the DoD Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee and this policy letter is to minimize these variations," he said.

To demystify the processes involved in determining which medications are available at a base pharmacy, Colonel Samples said one must look at the total selection process.

Currently, there are essentially three systems in place that influence the drug-selection process.

"First, DoD has a (committee comprising) physicians and pharmacists from all services that reviews classes of drugs and makes recommendations regarding individual medications that must be carried at every military pharmacy," Colonel Samples said. "These medications, called basic core formulary drugs, provide the foundation for all other formulary decisions and represent the minimum number of drugs a pharmacy will carry."

"The intent of this body is to ensure certain maintenance medications for things like blood pressure or diabetes are available throughout the DoD system," he said.

"Next, every (medical facility) has its own pharmacy and therapeutics committee, consisting of local physicians and pharmacists, that evaluates medications for addition to the formulary based upon the scope of practice at that particular facility," Colonel Samples said. "These medications are then available to augment those on the basic core formulary."

The third is the Air Force medical operations function itself. This is a relatively new

process where officials can direct changes across all Air Force pharmacies.

"The two advantages of this new process are that a medication can now be mandated for inclusion at all Air Force pharmacies thus standardizing the benefit, and (Air Force-wide) savings and cost containment can be realized throughout the system," Colonel Samples said.

For patients seeking medications not contained on the pharmacy formulary, two options exist, he said.

"First, the Tricare mail-order pharmacy will mail up to a three-month supply of medication directly to the patient's home for a small co-pay — \$3 or \$9 depending on generic or brand-name medication. Second, the (retail) managed care support contract pharmacies provide up to a 30-day supply of medication for a \$3 or \$9 co-pay," Colonel Samples said.

"Both of these options provide a broader range of medications than normally found at the MTF pharmacy," he said. "When you consider the combination of the MTF pharmacy, Tricare mail-order pharmacy and retail network pharmacies, patients are ensured they can receive a wide variety of medications."

Patients who have questions regarding their pharmacy benefit can contact the 49th Medical Group Pharmacy by calling the appointment line.



Selling alcohol to minors is a felony

Ms. Clara Garcia

News-Bulletin Staff Writer

Two Holloman Airmen were recently charged with contributing to minors and are now facing felony charges. An amendment passed by the state legislature and signed into law by the governor will increase the penalty for people who are convicted of giving or selling alcohol to minors.

The amendment changes the offense of purchasing or furnishing alcohol for anyone under 21 from a misdemeanor to a felony. Adults who provide alcohol to someone underage will now be charged with a fourth-degree felony. If convicted of this crime, a defendant can be punished with a \$5,000 fine and/or 18 months in prison.

For more information, contact the legal office at 572-7217.

Base converts fuel supply

by Senior Master Sgt.

Charles Wilcox

49th Logistics Readiness Squadron

Holloman converted some of its diesel fuel supply to an alternative fuel base, which will reduce its petroleum fuel use by at least 13 percent for fiscal year 2005 deadline.

The switch to bio-diesel (B-20) fuel will enable Holloman to approximately meet 13 percent of the 20 percent goal use of non-petroleum fuel annually established by Executive Order 13149, established April 21, 2000. The 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron is pleased to provide B-20 to help protect our atmosphere.

B-20 bio-diesel fuel burns cleaner than regular diesel fuel, greatly reducing harmful vehicle emissions common in diesel exhaust, especially dangerous particulates. B-20 fuel can reduce particulates in diesel exhaust by up to 18 percent, air toxins by up to 20 percent, carbon monoxide by about 12 percent and hydrocarbons by 11 percent, according to the U.S. Department of Energy.

Bio-diesel will only slightly change the normal power of a diesel engine, but this is a small price for sending 47 percent less particulate matter into the air we breathe.

B-20 is a domestically pro-

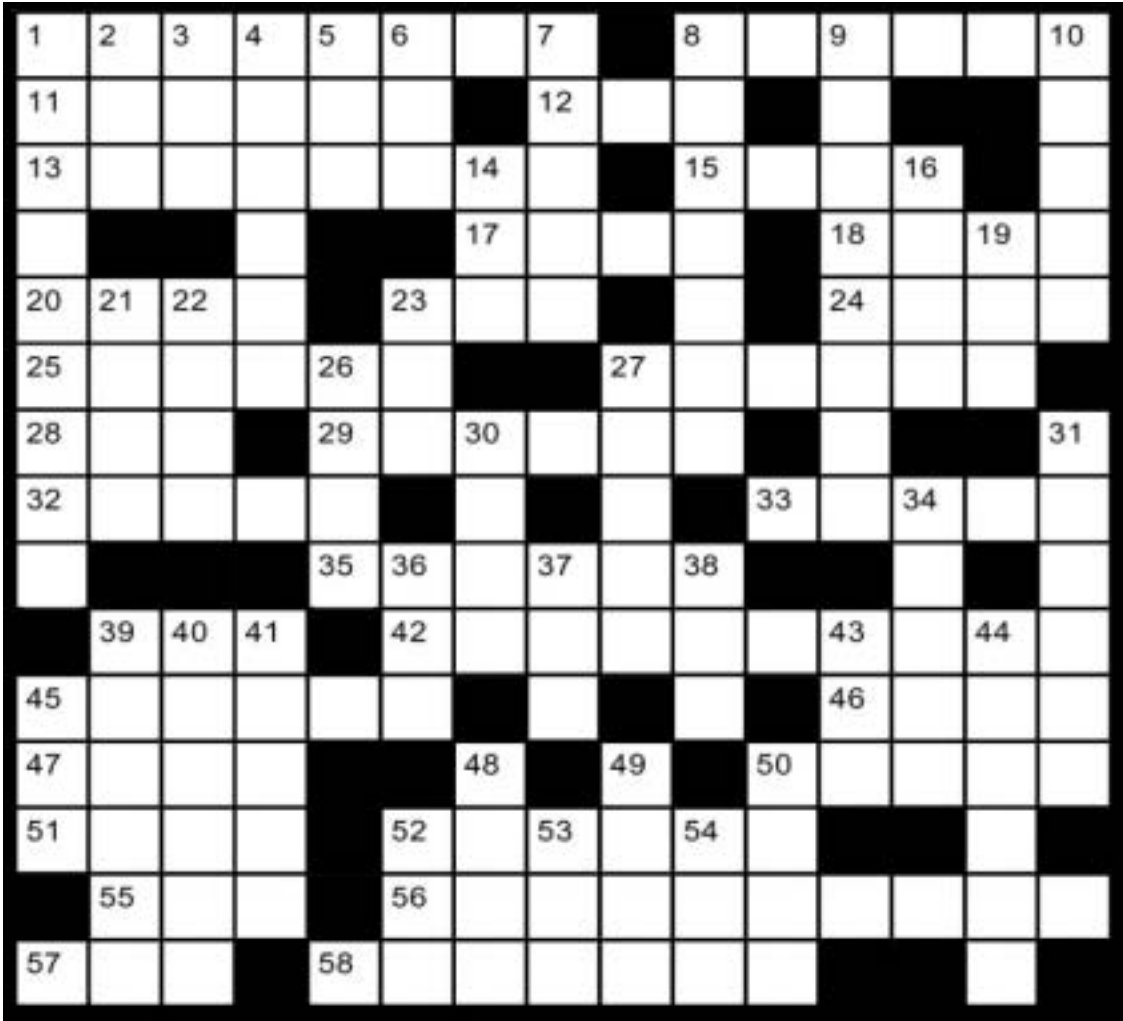
duced, renewable fuel manufactured from vegetable oils or recycled restaurant greases that is safe for use in all conventional diesel engines, offers the same performance and engine durability as regular diesel fuel, is safer to handle and reduces tailpipe emissions, visible smoke and noxious fumes and odors. Not only is B-20 good for the environment, there isn't a cost difference. Our customers now pay .90 per gallon for regular diesel and will pay the same price for B-20.

Holloman consumes approximately 215,000 gallons of diesel fuel per year and will receive a .28 credit per gallon of B-20 issued.

By using B-20, Holloman should have a 13% reduction in regular fossil fuel use. What's even better, since bio-diesel is made from renewable sources such as soybeans, it decreases our dependence on finite resources, foreign oil, and contributes to our local economy.

The use of B-20 will be in addition to Holloman's future project to issue Ethanol (E-85) unleaded gasoline. E-85 is an alternate fuel for Mogas vehicles where bio-diesel is an alternative fuel for diesel. There are approximately 24 vehicles on base now that can accept E-85. Once we get the E-85 online, we will be able to meet the goals established by EO 13149.

CROSSWORD



Among the stars...5 stars

ACROSS

1. General of the Army
8. Detour
11. Articulated with the tip of the tongue
12. USAF enlisted report
13. North American silkworm moth
15. Televises
17. African country
18. Part of the leg
20. Lasso
23. Actress Susan
24. Supported
25. Meditation
27. Affable
28. Star Wars character Solo
29. Fleet Admiral of the Navy
32. Fanatic
33. USAF base home to Air Armament Center
35. Most senior
39. Professional b-ball league
42. General of the Army
45. Disaster
46. Fleet Admiral of the Navy
47. Hotel chain
50. Editorial
51. Great Pyramid home

52. General of the Air Force
55. Beige
56. First among all Officers of the United States Armed Forces
57. Israeli machine gun
58. Country of southeast Europe on the Adriatic Sea

DOWN

1. General of the Army
2. Emulate
3. Wrestler Flair
4. Movie need
5. Vietnamese currency
6. Swiss mount
7. Fleet Admiral of the Navy
8. General of the Army
9. General of The Armies of the United States
10. Endure
14. Frozen water
16. Mets home
19. Sick
21. Spoken
22. Wheeze
23. Federal org. concerned with drugs
26. Thailand river formed by

- Nan and Ping rivers;____
Phraya
27. Canadian birds?
30. California town
31. Enthusiasm
34. Heavyweight champion Lennox
36. Zodiac sign
37. USAF SFS quick reaction team
38. Explosive
39. Fleet Admiral of the Navy
40. A desperate attack by Japanese troops in World War II
41. Person from the Orient
43. Approves
44. Captivate
45. Haze
48. Grouch
49. An apostle
50. American Pulitzer Prize writer Ferber
52. Pointed tool for making holes
53. Federal org. concerned with security
54. 52 in old Rome
Answers on Page 17

Make a difference V • O • T • E

In the Nov. 2 general election, the next president, vice president, 34 senators, 435 representatives, 13 governors and hundreds of local officials will be elected.

The deadline for completing and mailing a Federal Post Card application (for registration) is no later than 45 days before the election date, or 30 days before the election for the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot.

The Military Postal Service Agency is also taking precautions to uphold the integrity of the voting system. Each absentee envelope will be inspected by post office workers for proper date stamping. People should register and send their ballots as soon as possible.

For more information, visit the Federal Voting Assistance Program Web site at *www.fvap.gov*. (*AFPN*)

Be heard ... vote

The general election is nearing and if you have not registered to vote yet or requested your absentee ballot, then the time is now.

Holloman’s Unit Voting Officers are trained to answer all

of your questions and provide the necessary request forms.

For more information on the voting registration or absentee ballot voting process, contact the following people at their respective units:

- 49th Space Control Squadron**
Capt. Steven Matthews
Master Sgt. William Miller
- 7th Combat Training Squadron**
Staff Sgt. David Kekela
- 8th Fighter Squadron**
1st Lt. Paul Sortor
- 20th Fighter Squadron**
1st Lt. Sarah Yates
- 49th Aeromedical-Dental Squadron**
Master Sgt. Dan Amic
- 49th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron**
Tech. Sgt. Todd Lavoie
Airman 1st Class Eisel Garita
Airman Megan Winsett
- 49th Civil Engineer Squadron**
Capt. Marlene Hall
2nd Lt. Chris Wojko
- 49th Contracting Squadron**
Tech. Sgt. Thomas Connors
Airman 1st Class Erin Kerr
- 49th Comptroller Squadron**
2nd Lt. Laura Lopez
- 49th Communications Squadron**
Master Sgt. Sylvester Shaw
Senior Airman Lance Mayfield
- 49th Logistics Readiness Squadron**
1st Lt. Ryan Elliot
Senior Master Sgt. Charles Keown
Master Sgt. Walter Clark
Master Sgt. Shelly Rogers
Master Sgt. Jesus Suarez

- 49th Fighter Wing**
Capt. Brandon Jaroch
- 49th Medical Operations Squadron**
1st Lt. Mario Munoz
Airman 1st Class Natasha Smith
- 49th Medical Support Squadron**
Staff Sgt. Jose Nevarez
- 49th Materiel Maintenance Squadron**
Master Sgt. Randall Harms
Senior Master Sgt. John Etter
- 49th Materiel Maintenance Support Squadron**
2nd Lt. Carla Swain
- 49th Maintenance Operations Squadron**
Master Sgt. Gary Bond
- 49th Mission Support Squadron**
Master Sgt. Susan Hunter
- 49th Maintenance Squadron**
Master Sgt. Martin Fox
- 49th Operations Group**
Master Sgt. Daniel Williams
- 49th Operations Support Squadron**
Staff Sgt. Alison Meador
- 49th Security Forces Squadron**
1st Lt. Jason Bittle
1st Lt. John Barrows
- 49th Services Squadron**
Staff Sgt. Joya Bishop
Senior Airman Benjamin Adkins
- 746th Test Squadron**
1st Lt. Sarah Kelly
Master Sgt. William Bynum
- Detachment 4**
Staff Sgt. Gregory Adams



The 49th Security Forces Squadron handled the following incidents from July 20 to Monday.

Tickets

Security forces issued 21 tickets: one for an unattended vehicle, four for no registration, one for improper display of license plate, two for no insurance, one for inattentive driving, five for failure to stop, one for failure to signal, two for speeding one to 10 mph over the speed limit, three for speeding 11 to 15 mph over the speed limit and one for speeding 16 to 20 mph over the speed limit.

Property loss, damage or theft

- July 21 – There was a minor accident when an Airman was blinded by the sun and hit a security pole in his privately owned vehicle.

Patrol response

- July 21 – An officer reported he thought someone was in his house on Socorro Loop. Security Forces searched the building but didn't find anyone.

- July 23 – An NCO reported a civilian pushed him and threatened him and his family. Further investigation revealed they assaulted each other.

- July 24 – An officer's family member reported when she takes her dog for

a walk, a dog on Sacramento loop always chases her.

- July 24 – An Airman reported loud music coming from a house on Keesler Court.

- July 25 – An Airman reported his neighbor was arguing with his girlfriend and he heard a crash against the wall in building 336.

Civil arrest

- July 24 – An Airman was arrested in Las Cruces for resisting, obstructing or evading police. The Las Cruces Police department has responded twice to the Airman's residence because of numerous loud noise complaints.

- July 24 – An Airman was arrested on U.S. 70 for driving under the influence. The Airman refused a breathalyzer.

Stolen, lost, missing or confiscated IDs

If personnel have a military issued ID card stolen or lost, or a DD Form 2220 stolen from a vehicle or missing from the squadron's inventory, report it to security forces at 572-7171 immediately.

If you know of or have any information concerning any of these incidents, contact security forces at 572-7171 or your first sergeant. For the Crime Stop Help Line, please contact security forces at 572-1100 or dial "911."



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Regina Baker

On guard

Airman 1st Class Michael Chong, deployed from the 49th Security Forces Squadron, mans a HUMVEE-mounted M240 general purpose machine gun at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. The M240 has a maximum effective area target range of nearly 6,000 feet and can fire nearly 1,000 rounds per minute.

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such as block building, creative art, reading stories, dramatic play areas and active outdoor play.”

The CDC staff participates in continual training in areas such as child abuse prevention, positive guidance, fire drills, medicine administration, food

handler training and first aid. New staff members have 18 months to complete 15 training modules relevant to the age groups they work with.

The CDC is open from 6:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday to Friday. For more information, call 572-7505.

On the side		
Cat.	Current	New rates
1	\$55	\$57
2	\$66	\$69
3	\$78	\$81
4	\$88	\$92
5	\$101	\$105

What's going on in the Tularosa Basin and beyond...

Techno expo

The Alamogordo Public School hosts the annual Technology ReBoot Camp from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday to Thursday at Mountain View Middle School, 300 South Canyon Rd.

For more information, call 439-3270 extension 151.

"Dream, the Musical"

"Dream, the Musical" is showing at 2 and 8 p.m., Saturday at the Spencer Theater. The show is the musical retelling of William Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream." Tickets to the 2 p.m. matinee are \$36 and \$39. Tickets for the 8 p.m. performance are \$42 and \$45.

For more information, call the

Spencer Theater for the Performing Arts at (505) 336-4800.

Cub Scouts

Register now for Cub Scouts Pack 124's 2004-2005 school year.

Boys in first through fifth-grades are eligible.

For more information, call Mr. Rich Ewers at 479-9744 or Mr. Christopher Luke at 491-8411.

Shooting match

The Otero Practical Shooting Association has a Cowboy Action Shooting Match at 9 a.m., Aug. 7, at the Sydney Paul Gordon Shooting Range in La Luz. Sign up is at 8:30 a.m. The match is open to the public. Match par-

ticipants will need a pistol, holster, rifle of handgun caliber and shotgun. Firearms should be of turn of the century design or replicas. All ammunition must have lead projectiles. Approximately 50 pistol, 50 rifle and 25 shotgun rounds will be required.

For more information, call Mr. Butch Rials at 437-3663.

Fort Stanton Live

Fort Stanton Live is from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., August 14 in Fort Stanton, N.M. There will be storytellers, Apache dancers and military re-enactors. Musical performances are from 2 to 5 p.m.

For more information, call the Ft. Stanton Chamber of Commerce at (505) 257-7395.



Dirt Boy

Airman 1st Class Christopher Beckett, a Dirt Boy with the 379th Expeditionary Civil Engineer Squadron, spreads limestone with a backloader. Limestone gravel is used extensively as a means of keeping down airborne dust levels and improving installation appearance. Airman Beckett is deployed from the 49th Civil Engineer Squadron.

Photo by Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez

Retirement ceremony

Master Sgt. Carolyn Peeler's retirement ceremony is 2 p.m., today in the community center.

MSS assumption

Major Kent White will assume command of the 49th Mission Support Squadron at 9 a.m., Monday at the officers' club atrium.

ALS retreat

The Airman Leadership School class 04-F graduation retreat is 11:30 a.m., Monday in the dorm mall area behind the PME Center, building 339. Commanders, first sergeants, supervisors, family and friends are invited to join the graduates in this important event. Uniform requirements are duty uniform.

For more information, call the Mayo PME Center at 572-5860.

FSC

The Family Support Center offers the following classes and events at the FSC, building 40:

- Local Job Market Orientation: 1 to 2:30 p.m., Monday
- Out-processing question and answer: 2 to 3:30 p.m., Wednesday

For more information, contact the FSC at 572-7754 or visit the website at www.mil.holloman.af.mil/sptg/mss/fsc.

Scholarships

The African American Heritage Association is providing two scholarships at a minimum of \$150 to deserving students within the Holloman and Alamogordo Community. The application has been provided to all first sergeants and will also be posted in the education center. The scholarship was developed to provide additional financial assistance to those attending accredited colleges and universities. Funds for the scholarships are made available through fundraising activities and donations. Requirements to apply for the scholarship are: Must be a member of the



Courtesy photo

Storytime

Capt. Chrystal Putnam, 49th Services Squadron Combat Support flight chief, reads to a group of children in the library during the summer reading program. Volunteers read 2,837 books to children registered in the program, which ended July 23.

Holloman community (Department of Defense employee, active or retired military member, or a dependent of either active or retired military or Department of Defense employee); must attend or plan to attend an accredited school during the 2004-2005 school year; and must have a 2.5 grade point average.

This scholarship is open for all academic programs.

Undergraduate students must be enrolled in either the summer semester 2004, or with an accredited college or university for the 2004-2005 school year with a minimum of six credit hours when the scholarship is awarded in August.

Completed applications must be received or postmarked no later than Aug. 8.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Robert Yates at 572-7826 or 2nd Lt. Alonzo Chapman at 572-5507.

HOSC Thrift Store

The Holloman Officer's Spouses Club Thrift Store will be open from 9 a.m. to noon, Aug. 14. Come to the Back-to-

School Sale and preview the new pricing system for items such as men's and ladies' clothing. The store will open for the fall season from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sept. 7. Consignments will be accepted starting from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Sept. 14.

Road closures

Due to the re-routing and widening of 49er Road, there will be a road closure on Arizona Avenue from First Street to Arnold Avenue.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Stacy Nimmo, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron, at 572-3066.

There will be a road closure on Eglin Court from Aug. 6 to Sept. 7 due to construction of a new manhole and lateral line installation.

Residents of Eglin Court will have one entrance accessible to get to their unit during the construction.

In-processing change

Beginning Monday, base in-processing for new arrivals will be at 9 a.m., every Monday and Wednesday.

In-processing on Mondays will be in the Military Personnel Flight building 222, Room 112 and Wednesdays in building 222, with the room to be announced. Those who are in-processing should call their orderly room to schedule a time. Walk-in appointments will not be taken after today.

For more information, call personnel employments at 572-7374 or 572-7375.

Chapel Services

Weekday Masses – 11:30 a.m., Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Sunday – Catholic Mass, 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

- Sacrament of Penance, 4 p.m.
- General Protestant Worship Service, 11 a.m.

- Protestant Sunday School, 9:30 a.m., and Catholic Religious Education, 10:45 a.m. at Holloman Intermediate School.

B On the IG SCREEN



Two Brothers (PG-13)

6 and 9 p.m., today

Dodgeball (PG)

6 and 9 p.m., Saturday and 6 p.m., Sunday

Tickets are 99 cents.

Team Holloman goes country at the Flying J

by Senior Airman Martha Whipple
49th Fighter Wing Public Affairs

About 170 Team Holloman families visited the Flying J Ranch near Ruidoso July 23 and Saturday. The Flying J Ranch and its wranglers serve a chuckwagon dinner and perform cowboy music and humor.

"The Flying "J" Ranch is known for its entertainment for the whole family and outstanding food ... especially the biscuits," said Ms. Lenn Furrow, Family Support Center director. "But from now on, when I hear "Flying "J", I will always think of a very special moment; On Friday night as the emcee engaged the crowd asking where they were from, etc., he got to the group from Holloman

and when they said they were the families of deployed personnel, the rest of the audience gave them a spontaneous standing ovation. The same thing happened on Saturday night!"

Ms. Furrow said this trip was a wonderful outing for the families of deployed members of Team Holloman. It was a way to acknowledge the special sacrifices even the smallest family members make when mom or dad goes away on duty; a big thank you complete with food, camaraderie and entertainment! One little girl proudly brought her own pillow with a picture of her daddy on it for the trip.

Mr. Jack Key's \$4,900 donation to the 49th Fighter Wing sponsored this trip for the families.



More than 170 Team Holloman members enjoyed a chuckwagon dinner and a Flying J show near Ruidoso July 23 and Saturday.



Left to right: Mr. James Hobbs, Mr. Lynn Campbell and Mrs. Cindy Hobbs perform a song called New Mexico during the Flying J performance Saturday. Flying J Ranch and the Flying J Wranglers have been serving up a chuckwagon meal and entertaining guests since 1982.



Photos by Senior Airman Martha Whipple

Mr. Randy Jones performs a blue grass musical medley during the Fly J show. The show included a gun fight, chuckwagon dinner and a musical.



Ms. Marilyn Trotter, world champion fiddler, plays country music during the Flying J show.



Right: Mr. Lynn Campbell plays a cowboy in the Flying J gun fight.

Vice commander retires after 25 years

by Airman 1st Class

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The 49th Fighter Wing vice commander bid farewell to the Air Force in a ceremony held at Hangar 301 July 16.

Standing before the wing, Col. Rich Treadway gave his farewell address.

“With mixed emotions, my family and I are beginning the next chapter in our lives,” he said. “We have loved everything about the Air Force, especially the people.”

After graduating from the Academy in 1979, then-2nd Lt. Treadway completed his pilot training to be accepted as one of the first lieutenants to fly the Air Force’s newest airframe: the F-16 Falcon.

“I was one of tens of thousands of fighter pilots throughout the Cold War,” Colonel Treadway pointed out. “Yet, I was lucky enough to be chosen for this brand-new fighter aircraft.”

Colonel Treadway’s luck continued when he was selected in late 1989 to take on the then –classified F-117A Nighthawk at Tonopah Test Range, Nev.

“We knew the importance of this airframe flying over the skies of Baghdad,” he said. “That’s when we realized this was a strategic weapon. What we did in Operation Desert Storm would change airpower forever.”

After flying 21-combat sorties over the tracer-filled skies of Iraq in 1991, Colonel Treadway returned to Holloman to take on the position of the 9th Fighter Squadron commander in 1997.

“I came back to the 49th Fighter Wing with a new understanding of the stealth,” he remembered. “As Operation Iraqi Freedom approached, we were beginning to do things very differently with the jet.”

The concept of time-sensitive targeting, or the ability to hit a target at a moment’s notice, was envisioned by Colonel Treadway after the creation of the 417 Weapons Squadron here. With the OIF air war scheduled to begin in two days, this new way of striking the enemy was brought to forefront.

“The jet had always taken many hours to prepare to get it into the air,”



Col. Rich Treadway gets hosed after his final flight July 16. He and his family will retire in Hawaii.

the colonel said. “With time-sensitive targeting, we cut that down to a fraction of the time. This gave us the chance to target Saddam at a moment’s notice, and we did. The F-117 can be in the air heading to a target and have the ability to re-direct at a moment’s notice.”

The war on terror continues, but not for this colonel. After serving a quarter of a century in the armed forces, Colonel Treadway said he gave to the Air Force as much as it wanted from him.

“I leave knowing the brilliant and talented aviators, NCOs and Airmen will take my place,” he said. “I will be a memory soon, and this job will be filled. I leave knowing the mission will continue to be accomplished.”

Colonel Treadway will retire in Honolulu with his wife Rebecca and daughter Leigh. His son Chase is a sophomore at the University of Mississippi in Oxford.



Col. Rich Treadway takes his last flight in the F-117A.



Col. Rich Treadway gets a smooch from his wife, Rebecca, after his final flight July 16.



Col. Rich Treadway poses with Mr. John Green (left) and brothers, Billy and Alex (right) during his retirement ceremony July 16 at the officers’ club.

Courtesy photos



Members of the 9th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron saluted F-117A Nighthawks as they departed Holloman for Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, June 24.



An ESTA C-17 arrives at Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea, carrying the pilots and maintainers who are supporting the Pacific Command exercises and operations.



About 300 9th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron members live in a tent city while they are deployed to Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea.

Nighthawks exercise at Kunsan AB, Repulic of Korea

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In June, 9th Expeditionary Fighter Squadron F-117A Nighthawks and about 300 support people deployed to Kunsan Air Base, Republic of Korea to support the Pacific Command exercises and operations.

This is the first time Holloman has participated in a Peninsula Combat Employment Readiness Exercise. This week-long exercise focused on defending the Republic of Korea from a North Korean attack. F-117As were integrated into the flying operations and simulated attacking key targets such as artillery sites, airfields, troop assembly points and surface-to-air missile sites. The 9th EFS became part of Kunsan's 8th Fighter Wing's motto: "Defend the Base, Accept Follow on Forces, Take the Fight North."

The exercise also gave personnel at Kunsan the opportunity to train with deployed aircraft in their flying operations. Instead of the normal F-16s and an occasional F/A-18 or A-10, now they had home-stationed F-117As that had to be accommodated.

"This deployment, as part of the Pacific Command Theater Security Package, gives the 9th EFS the unique opportunity to train and integrate with combat forces away from home-station," said Lt. Col. Ward Juedeman, 9th EFS commander. "It provides a rare first-hand look and appreciation of deployed employment considerations, ranging from weather to base infrastructure support, that impact our daily operations – increasing our overall flexibility and wartime readiness."

The 9th EFS has faced challenges like language barriers, learning new skills and being away from family. But, throughout the deployment, 9th EFS personnel have the opportunity to grow both professionally and personally, Colonel Juedeman said. Working alongside F-16 aircraft and their personnel affords the 9 EFS troops a chance to recall and relearn skills that they may not have used since their last base or tech school.

The most difficult adaptation has been the extreme change in weather, said 2nd Lt. James Fagan. While people in New Mexico, were preparing for another hot and dry summer, the deployed team is working in moderate temperatures and a higher humidity. Korea has

entered the monsoon season and in just over a month, it has rained 15 days and over 13 inches.

"Practicing in this environment gives the troops a well-rounded idea of what can be expected in this region," he said. "We are relied upon to be prepared and answer the call of duty whenever and wherever it may occur."

Colonel Juedeman said the 9th EFS have performed from in an outstanding manner from the first day of the deployment. Operations and maintenance cooperation has been at an all-time high, sortie generation and training has been going exceptionally well (when the weather allows), and morale is soaring due to the real-world mission we are executing in theater.

In addition to the exercise, many 9th EFS members have volunteered in the local community, offering to teach English to local Korean children; learning some of the native language in return was a welcomed reward. Several more have broadened or started their physical training programs, forming running and workout groups in preparation for a squadron-wide PT test that is scheduled in the coming weeks.

JEFX 2004 execution phase is under way

by 1st Lt. James L. Bressendorff

Joint Expeditionary Force Experiment 2004
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The Joint Expeditionary Force Experiment 2004 execution phase is under way here. This is the fifth in a series of large-scale experiments that explore and assess new and emerging air power capabilities.

The executing phase began July 19 and ends Aug. 5. Previous meetings, or spirals, focused on setup, training and integration. They were considered the “dress rehearsal” for the execution phase. In the final phase of the experiment, all the elements of the spirals will merge together with a battle scenario to test the concepts, capabilities and initiatives.

“(The experiment) tests emerging capabilities in a realistic scenario and combines them with Combined Air and Space Operations Center processes to make sure it works,” said Col. Dave Youker, director of the Air Force experimentation office. “In an exercise, the end goal is to have a highly trained staff. In an experiment, the end goal is to be able to make a recommendation to the Air Force chief of staff (about) whether or not to pursue emerging capabilities.”

The center acts as the central nervous system of the experiment where information flows in and instructions flow out. The seating is like a movie theater. Warfighters from various specialties are arranged in rows, and the combined forces air and space component commander overlooks the operations floor from the battlecab. The battlecab is where the air commander directs operations.

Several large computer projections line the front wall creating a mosaic of video, still pictures and current-mission information. It is a state-of-the-art command and control center designed to grow as changing mission requirements and technology evolve.

“Today’s complex battle environment needs a centralized command and control element to ensure the most efficient use of air assets,” said Lt. Col. Brian Searcy, chief of combat operations. “The challenge in any CAOC is to manage those events that are not planned for. An example of that would be disabled aircraft and downed pilots.”

This experiment also integrates elements of the U.S. Army, Navy and Marine Corps as well as British, Canadian and Australian forces. Coalition partners are included in the center similar to a wartime environment.

Key elements of the British air component embedded with the American air component staff for the first time in Operation Iraqi Freedom, said Royal Air Force Wing Commander Andy Tucker, deputy chief of combat operations. He said American and British forces have taken every opportunity to train together so they are better able to integrate operations during a conflict.

The experiment is exploring 15 initiatives to assess the capabilities of certain systems including testing of machine-to-machine interfaces, real-time data links among aircraft, people and the CAOC, and real-time space situational awareness within the area of operations.

The initiatives are based on need, lessons learned or military doctrine, Colonel Youker said. Throughout the experiment, assessors will measure the initiatives’ successes and provide feedback from the warfighters.

Unlike exercises or inspections, experiment evaluators do not assign grades to overall mission success, but rather evaluate the success based on whether or not the objectives were met.

“The goal is to come up with new tools and processes that we can quickly transfer to the field to enhance the ability of the warfighter to execute the mission,” said Maj. Brian Joos, chief of analysis and assessment.

Video demystifies the board process

Officials from the Air Force selection board secretariat and the enlisted promotions branch at the Air Force Personnel Center here have a new video to help shed light on the inner workings of the selection board process.

The video is an effort to educate all Airmen about senior enlisted promotion boards.

A copy of the video, titled “How Senior NCOs Are Promoted to Senior and Chief,” will be distributed to each Air Force installation public affairs office, military personnel flight, command chief master sergeant, as well as to all noncommissioned officer academies and the Senior NCO Academy.

The video provides an insider’s view of boardroom activity, including how records are scored and what board members actually do when evaluating candidates for promotion.

“It’s important for all enlisted personnel, as well as officers and civil service employees who supervise them, to know how the Air Force promotes senior NCOs to the top two grades,” said Senior Master Sgt. Nathalie Swisher, video

production coordinator.

“The career path to chief master sergeant begins early in an enlisted member’s career,” Sergeant Swisher said. “This video will stress the essence of how Airmen can take control of their careers early, and how supervisors can assist in helping them reach their goal.”

The video explains the process from the way board members are chosen to sit on selection boards to how board members affect the final promotion list. One point of emphasis is the importance of each master and senior master sergeant keeping his or her records current and correct.

“We have a great promotion system. There are numerous safeguards in our promotion process to make sure it remains so, while ensuring Air Force members receive fair and equitable consideration,” said Col. R.J. Rouse, chief of the selection board secretariat. “The video highlights those safeguards as well as other important promotion topics.”

The video should be available by early September. *(AFPN)*



Air Force founding fathers exhibit opens at Pentagon

by **LaDonna Bowen**
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Considered to be the “founding fathers” of the Air Force, Gens. Henry “Hap” Arnold, William “Billy” Mitchell and Frank M. Andrews were memorialized July 21 in a new exhibit at the Pentagon.

Descendants of the three aviation visionaries were among about 100 people who gathered in the Arnold Corridor, outside the offices of the Air Force’s senior leaders, to witness the unveiling of the Pioneers of American Air and Space Power exhibit.

The brainchild of Gen. T. Michael Moseley, vice chief of staff of the Air Force, took seven months to complete rather than the usual 12 to 18 months for displays of this magnitude. The timing was critical, as it was the general’s intent to open the exhibit on the anniversary of the sinking of the German battleship “Ostfriesland” by General Mitchell’s bombers July 21, 1921.

“The (leaders) wanted to broaden the focus to include other key Airmen who built the foundation for today’s Air Force,” said Anne Johnson-Sachs, chief of the Air Force Historical Research Agency. “These Airmen were pioneers. They looked to the future and worked together to give America the most powerful Air Force in the world.”

A joint venture between the Air Force’s graphics office in the Pentagon and the research agency here, the 200-foot display features graphics, photos and brief narratives.

The former display, originally installed 15 years ago, was much smaller and featured only General Arnold.

“I have many fond memories of living on Bolling. It was a great time,” said Robert Arnold,

General Arnold’s grandson. “It is great to see some of these photos again. We were the most photographed family in history, and my father, William Bruce Arnold (named after William “Billy” Mitchell), often reminded us, ‘it is about him [General Arnold] not about you, and not to ever forget it.’”

The selection and arrangement of photographs included in the display are very powerful, people said. Family members, to help depict a more personal side of the Airmen, provided many of them.

“The exhibit is about our roots and legacy,” Ms. Johnson-Sachs said. “General Moseley told me that if the display gets one young person to say, ‘I want to become a part of that,’ then all of the time and energy will be worth it.”

Nearly 57 years old, the Air Force is a very young service.

“The exhibit is just fabulous, and I am happy that the Air Force invited us,” said Cicely Banfield, granddaughter of General Mitchell.

“I am still learning things about him [General Mitchell],” said her son, Landon Banfield, said in jest. “It really is a lot to consume.”

General Moseley spoke passionately to the audience about the visionaries’ contributions and sacrifices that helped shape today’s Air Force. He reflected upon how they might feel if they were alive today to see how their dreams, dedication and even defiance have evolved.

“Every Airman should see the pioneers of air and space exhibit, and we owe our Air Force to the men it honors,” General Moseley said. “They laid the foundation of how air and space power is used today, and this exhibit truly links our heritage with our future.”



Photo by Airman 1st Class Stephen Collier

Diablos thank military

Aydin Budak, 49th Civil Engineer Squadron deputy commander, receives a baseball from El Paso Diablos third baseman Jamie D'Antona to throw out during the first pitch of the night. The Diablos donated tickets to military members and their families during military appreciation night July 16. The Diablos beat Midland 8 to 4.

Air Force Marathon

The Air Force Marathon is Sept. 18 at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

The deadline for registration is Sept. 7. Entries postmarked or hand delivered after September 07 will not be accepted and/or will be returned unopened. All registered runners receive a T-shirt and patch. All runners who finish also receive a medallion.

The course is a 26.2 mile run that traverses historical places on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, including the United States Air Force Museum, the Air Force Institute of Technology, Headquarters Air Force Material Command, the WPAFB Flightline and the Wright Brothers Memorial Monument. All

levels of runners from around the world, including wheelchair participants, 1/2 marathon, and 5k runners, are invited to enter. The USAFM course is certified by the USA Track and Field Association. The course contains a large number of hills and has been called "more challenging than the Boston Marathon." However, at the same time, the USAFM has earned the reputation for being a "Professionally-run, large-scale marathon with the feel of a small-scale race." This is due to the 8-hour time limit allowed for finishing the marathon.

For more information call (800) 467-1823 or DSN 787-4350. (<http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/>)

